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CAPTAIN BRITAIN

10!

IT WAS A TRAP!
WE'RE SURROUNDED BY NAZIS!

KEEP SLUGGING!
IF THIS IS THE
END, WE'LL GO
DOWN
FIGHTING!



Stan Lee
PRESENTS:

CAPTAIN BRITAIN!

TRAPPED IN A GAS-FILLED SECRET ROOM WITHIN BRADDOCK MANOR, CAPTAIN BRITAIN AND CAPTAIN AMERICA CLING TENACIOUSLY TO LIFE, AS THEIR EVERY BREATH BRINGS THE RED SKULL CLOSER TO TOTAL TRIUMPH! AND IN THESE MENACING MOMENTS WHICH THREATEN ALL MANKIND...

"SHIELD STRIKES OUT!"

WRITTEN BY
GARY FRIEDRICH
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HERB TRIMPE
& FRED KIDA
LETTERED BY
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GEORGE ROUSSOS
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LARRY LIEBER



IT'S...CHOKE?...NO USE! CAN'T
LAST...MUCH LONGER!

NOT YET,
MATE! WE
STILL HAVE
A CHANCE!

AFTER ALL MY
BATTLES--WITH THE
SKULL...H-HE'S
FINALLY BEATEN
ME!

NO,
SCHWEINE-
HUNDS! YOU
HAVE NO
CHANCE! YOU
ARE OBSTACLES
THAT MUST
BE
REMOVED!

--TO MAKE
ROOM FOR THE
RED SKULL--
AND THE
GLORIOUS
BIRTH OF THE
FOURTH
REICH!



CAN'T HANG
ON--EVERYTHING--
GOING DARK!

CAP'S PASSED OUT!
BUT THERE STILL MAY
BE TIME TO SAVE
US BOTH--

--WITH
THE STAFF'S
FORCE-
FIELD!



NO! IT DOESN'T
WORK! THE FUMES
ARE PENETRATING
THE FIELD AS IF IT
DIDN'T EXIST!

I'M BECOMING
DIZZY--WEAK--
TOO WEAK TO
STAND! I-I'VE
FAILED--



THEY LOST CONSCIOUSNESS--THINK-
ING DEATH WAS AT HAND--

--BUT THE
FOOLS SHOULD
HAVE REALISED
I WOULD NOT
MAKE THEIR
DEMISE THAT
EASY!

SOON
THEY WILL
AWAKEN--
ONLY TO
FACE DEATH
AGAIN!



HERR RADCLIFFE!* THIS IS THE SUPREME ONE!
IS ALL IN READINESS FOR YOUR S.T.R.I.K.E. **
FORCE ATTACK ON BRADDOCK MANOR?

ALL SYSTEMS
ARE GO! THE
AMERICAN, FURY,
IS CAUSING SOME
PROBLEMS--BUT
NOTHING I CAN'T
HANDLE!

THEN
PROCEED!
AND WHEN
YOU DESTROY
THIS
MANSION--

--CAPTAINS BRITAIN AND
AMERICA WILL KNOW THE
HORROR OF DYING TWICE
IN THE SAME DAY!

*DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF S.T.R.I.K.E.,
BRITAIN'S COUNTERPART TO S.H.I.E.L.D.
**SPECIAL TACTICAL RESERVE FOR
INTERNATIONAL KEY EMERGENCIES!
--LARRY.

MEANWHILE, IN THE
HEART OF LONDON--

AND WE REPEAT--DO
NOT PANIC! THE
STRANGE CRAFT
SIGHTED ABOVE THE
CITY MOMENTS
AGO--



--WAS THE SHIELD HELI-CARRIER FROM AMERICA,
VISITING BRITAIN ON A FRIENDLY MISSION!

WE REPEAT--THERE
IS NO CAUSE FOR
ALARM!

NICE OF 'EM
TO TELL US--BEFORE
WE ALL RAN FOR
COVER!

YEAH! SOME
FRIENDLY MISSION IT
IS THAT SCARES SEVEN
MILLION PEOPLE
TO DEATH!



OH, DON'T MAKE SUCH
A FUSS! REMEMBER THAT
COLONEL NICK FURY WAS
A GREAT HERO IN
THE WAR?!

AW, HE'S
ONLY A YANK!
I WANT TO SEE
CAPTAIN
BRITAIN!



LOOK! LOOK AT THE FLYING CAR!

I BET COLONEL FURY,
HIMSELF, IS INSIDE!

HEAR THAT
WHINE? IT'S A
TURBINE!

BAH! A DAFT CONTRAD-
TION FOR A DAFT WORLD!
I'M GOING BACK TO THE PUB!



AND
INSIDE
THAT
"DAFT
CONTRAP-
TION"...

SO YOU'RE TOOD RADCLIFFE
--THE HEAD HONCHO OF
THIS S.T.R.I.K.E.* OUTFIT
I BEEN HEARIN' ABOUT?

THAT'S RIGHT, COLONEL FURY! BUT I MUST SAY YOU'RE
RATHER OLDER THAN I EXPECTED!

PLANNING
TO RETIRE
SOON?

YEH, JUST AS SOON AS
THE WEIRDOS IN THIS WORLD
STOP KILLIN' EACH OTHER!

NOW STEP ON IT! WE GOT
US AN APPOINTMENT AT
TEN DOWNING STREET!

*SPECIAL
TACTICAL
RESERVE FOR
INTERNATIONAL
KEY
EMERGENCIES.



BUT, BEGGING THE PRIME MINISTER'S PARDON, WE MUST ONCE MORE SWITCH SCENES, THIS TIME TO A SEEDY DOCKLAND PUB.

LISTEN--YOU'RE AS UNHAPPY WITH CONDITIONS IN THIS COUNTRY--

--AS WE ARE--THE MEMBERS OF MY ORGANIZATION AND MYSELF!

AND IF GOOD MEN LIKE *YOUR-SELVES* JOIN OUR RANKS--WE'LL SOON BE RUNNING THE SHOW!

I DON'T KNOW, MATE! YOU SEEM ALL RIGHT ENOUGH--

--BUT I CAN'T SWALLOW WHAT YOU'RE *SPOUTIN'*! I MEAN YOU'RE TALKIN' *REVOLUTION!*

AYE, AND WE'RE TOO OLD FOR THAT!

BUT THAT'S JUST IT! WE NEED THE WISDOM OF AGE AS WELL AS THE STRENGTH OF YOUTH!

PLEASE--COME TO OUR MEETING! HEAR US OUT! YOU'VE NOTHING TO LOSE! AND IT'S FOR THE GOOD OF BRITAIN--THE ENTIRE WORLD!

AND NOW, BEFORE YOU FORGET WHOSE *MAG* THIS IS--

SINCE WE WERE AMBUSHED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE MANOR--I'LL BET THERE ARE MORE TRAPS INSIDE!

BUT PERHAPS WE CAN ELUDE THEM BY ENTERING THROUGH THIS OLD WINE CELLAR!

WE SHOULD BE *SAFE!* THE CELLAR HASN'T BEEN USED FOR YEARS!

HOW DID YOU HAPPEN TO KNOW ABOUT IT?

LET'S JUST SAY I SPENT LOTS OF TIME AROUND BRADDOCK MANOR WHEN I WAS A LAD!

HERE IT IS--THE TRAP DOOR THAT LEADS DIRECTLY INTO THE COMPUTER ROOM!

IF WE MOVE QUIETLY AND ACT QUICKLY--PERHAPS WE CAN DEACTIVATE THE MACHINE BEFORE IT DETECTS US!

THAT COMPUTER MUST BE SOMETHING ELSE! LET'S GO!!





THANKS FOR THE CONFESSION, OLD SPORT! WHITEHALL WILL WELCOME EVERY SYLLABLE!

HI, CRUD! LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE BLOWN IT AGAIN!



WHAT CHEEK!

WATCH IT, PARTNER! DON'T GET IN OVER YOUR HEAD!

WRONG, DUNKOFF! I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU ESCAPED!

--BUT YOU REMAIN DOOMED!



NOT TO WORRY. I'LL DOWN LAUGHING BOY BEFORE HE CAN SIEG ANOTHER HEIL!

COCKY, EH? OKAY, GO AHEAD, YOU'VE EARNED A SHOT AT HIM!

UNNNH!



ONE THING I'M FAST LEARNING--NEVER LET UP ON YOUR ENEMY!

WHEN YOU HAVE THE ADVANTAGE--KEEP IT!

YOU'RE CATCHING ON, SON-- BUT DON'T GET OVERCONFIDENT! NOT AGAINST THE RED SKULL!



YOU'D BEST HEED HIS WORDS, BRITISH DOG! BEFORE YOU STRIKE AGAIN--

--LOOK BEHIND YOU-- AT THE VIEW-SCREEN!

WHAT YOU SEE MIGHT EFFECT YOUR DECISION!



BRIAN! THEY'RE GOING TO KILL US--UNLESS YOU DO AS THEY ASK!
IT'S TRUE! I BEG OF YOU, BRIAN--DON'T LET US DIE!

MY BROTHER AND SISTER! WHAT'LL I DO? IF I FIGHT ON-- THEY'LL BE SHOT! BUT IF I LET THE SKULL ESCAPE-- WE MAY ALL DIE!

SO, THE RED SKULL IS TRUE TO HIS WORD! HE
WILL KILL CAPTAIN AMERICA--

--AND LEAVE
FURY TO ME!

ANYTHING
WRONG!

NO...EVERYTHING
IS...SIMPLY
PERFECT!

AND BACK AT BRADDOCK MANOR--

WE'RE THROUGH
THE DOOR! BUT
THE STAIRWAY--

--IT
ISN'T
HERE!

NO, BUT WE ARE! YOU WALKED
US INTO
A TRAP,
SON!
BUT I WAS
CERTAIN
THAT DOOR
LED TO THE
STAIRWAY!

NOT A WINDOW IN
SIGHT! THIS ISN'T
A ROOM--

--IT'S A
CELL!

PRECISELY! A CELL FOR
THE CONDEMNED!

I KNOW
THAT VOICE!
IT'S HIM!

YES, YOU HAVE
PLAYED DIRECTLY
INTO THE HANDS OF
YOUR ARCH-ENEMY...
THE RED SKULL!

AND BY THOSE VERY HANDS,
YOU BOTH SHALL DIE!

I
KNEW
IT!

THIS
WHOLE
THING
SMELLED
SKULL
FROM THE
START!

FAREWELL, CAPTAIN AMERICA!
YOU DEFEATED ME MANY TIMES--
BUT THE FINAL AND THUS MOST
IMPORTANT VICTORY--IS MINE!

DEADLY GAS--
FILLING THE
ROOM! THERE'S
NO WAY TO
ESCAPE!

NEXT WEEK:
**S.H.I.E.L.D.
STRIKES
OUT!**



Stan Lee presents
**CAPTAIN
 BRITAIN'S**

FUN PAGE

BY OWEN
 MCCARRON

START →

**"I'M THE
 THING!"**

YOU **KNOW**
 THAT? OK!

**THIS IS
 A MAZE!**

YOU **KNOW**
 THAT, TOO?
 ALRIGHT!

**THEN
 YOU
 KNOW
 WHAT
 TO
 DO!**

YOU **DON'T?**

**THEN ASK
 SOMEONE
 ELSE
 CAUSE I
 AIN'T
 TELLIN'!"**

**ALPHABET
 GAME**

IN THE BOX
 BELOW THE LETTER SHOWN,
 PUT THE LETTER
 THAT COMES
 BEFORE IT
 IN THE
 ALPHABET
 AND
 FIND
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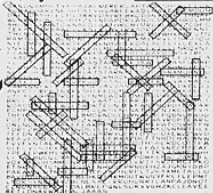
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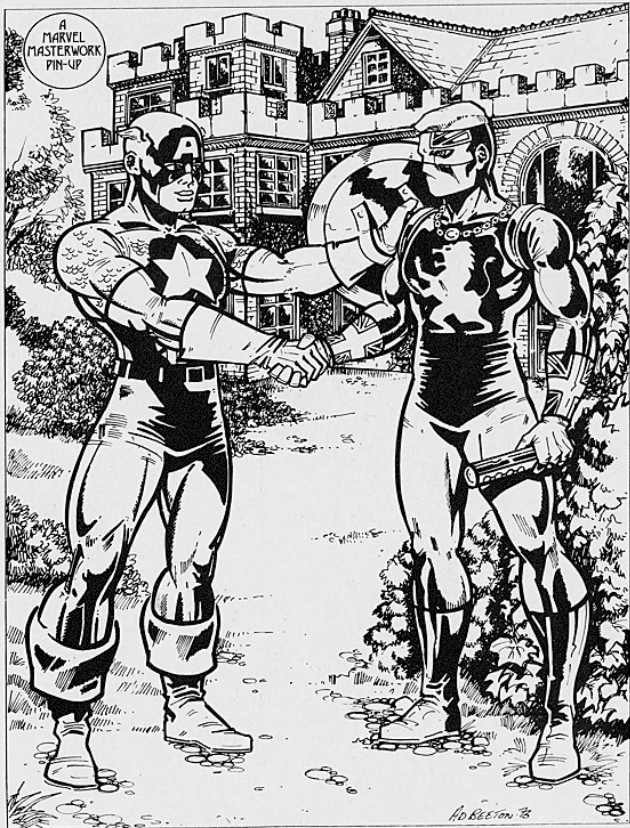
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 MARVEL
 CHARACTER! **FINISH**

ANSWERS TO
 ISSUE 14
 PUZZLES:

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A
MARVEL
MASTERWORK
PIN-UP



Stan Lee PRESENTS: **THE FANTASTIC FOUR!**

THE ANSWER!!

WHERE IS CRYSTAL? JOHNNY STORM HAS JUST GLIMSED THE ANSWER--PROVIDED BY THE WITCHCRAFT OF ICATHA HARKNESS!

ONE TANTALISING LOOK AND THEY'RE GONE! YOU MUST BRING THEM BACK! YOU MUST!

I--THE STRAIN-- IT'S TOO EXHAUSTING-- I CAN'T!

PROVIDED WITH PRIDE BY:
STAN (THE MAN) LEE--EDITOR
ARCHIE GOODWIN--WRITER
BIG JOHN BUSCEMA--ARTIST
JOE SINNOTT--INKER
SAM ROSEN--LETTERER

AT LAST!



--SLEEP-INDUCING
VAPOURS! A MORE MINOR
ACHIEVEMENT OF THE MASTER
OF ALCHEMY--

DIABLO!

YOU MUST NOT **DEPART** THIS PLACE
OF MY **BANISHMENT** SO QUICKLY,
FAIR CHILD-- NOT UNTIL I CAN
ACCOMPANY YOU.

AND IT WILL
TAKE **TIME** TO
DEVISE THE **POTION**
TO GIVE ME PROPER
CONTROL OVER YOU
AND YOUR WONDROUS
PET.

FOR RESOURCES
ARE **LIMITED** IN
THIS WORLD YOU
SO DISLINED--

THIS WORLD
WHICH IS BUT
THE FARTHEST
FUTURE OF
EARTH
ITSELF.

A FUTURE I SHALL
AT LAST **ESCAPE** TO
WORK MY **VENGEANCE**
ON HE WHO **SENT** ME
HERE-- **DR. DOOM!**

THUS, MOMENTS AFTER **LEAVING**
THE FANTASTIC FOUR, CRYSTAL
BECAME A **PRISONER** OF ONE OF
THEIR FORMER **ENEMIES**-- A
PRISONER LOCKED FROM THE
PRESENT--

AND IN THAT PRESENT, THE DARK
MANTLE OF NIGHT HAS SPREAD.



-- SEEKING SOMETHING WHICH
MIGHT DIVERT OR **PULL** HIS
ANGUISH --



-- KNOWING
HE WILL NOT
FIND IT.

SLEEP HAS COME TO WHISPER
HILL -- COME TO ALL BUT ONE --



LIGHT! COMING FROM
THE **RITUAL ROOM** --



THAT **MYSTIC
GIZMO** OF MISS
HARKNESS --

ONE WHO RESTLESSLY TREADS THE
SILENT CORRIDORS, SHADOWED
THE STAIRS --



IT'S STILL WORKING!

SHE WAS SO
EXHAUSTED
WHEN WE LEFT --

MUST
NOT HAVE
CANCELLED
THE **SPELL**,
OR WHATEVER
CONTROLS IT.



AN **IMAGE** IN IT! SHARP AND CLEAR --
NOT DISTANT-LOOKING LIKE BEFORE.

ONE OF THOSE **MAYAN
PYRAMIDS** -- THE KIND
THEY HAVE IN **CENTRAL
AMERICA**!

AND IN FRONT
OF ITS
TEMPLE --



S-SOMETHING'S
APPEARING --

IT'S --

CRYS!

B-BUT --



BUT BEN GRIMM'S WORDS GO UNHEARD, **UNHEEDED!** NOT SO THOSE OF **ANOTHER--** SHOUTED IN THE CLEAN MORNING AIR OF A DISTANT LAND, SHOUTED AMID MAYAN RUINS-- THAT ARE RUINS NO LONGER!





BEHOLD THE VERY
EARTH AT YOUR
FEET.. RENT OPEN
WITH A **GESTURE!**

A COLUMN
OF FIRE
BURSTING
FORTH WITH A
WAVE OF THE
HAND!



WATER TO EXTINGUISH IT..
CALLED DOWN FROM THE
HEAVENS!

AND ALL
MADE AS IT
WAS...



-- IN THE FLICKER
OF AN EYE!
CAN YOU BEHOLD
THIS.. AND **DENY**
YOU LOOK UPON
IXCHEL?



I SEE YOU
CANNOT,
MY FRIENDS.

BUT THERE
IS NO NEED TO **FEAR.**
IXCHEL'S
WRATH IS
NOT FOR
YOU..



-- BUT THE DICTATOR **ROBLES**
WHO **ENSLAVES** YOU, WHO
GRINDS TERRA VERDE
BENEATH HIS **HEEL!**

YOU WILL
RISE UP..
YOU WILL
FIGHT
HIM!





MEANWHILE, SOME MILES AWAY--AT THE ROYAL PALACE IN TERRA VERDE'S CAPITAL CITY...





CENTRAL AMERICA
AT LAST! BUT WHAT THE
HECK'S GOING ON? I
DIDN'T HEAR ABOUT
ANY WARS DOWN HERE!

CAN'T SEE ANYTHING BELOW
THAT SMOKE-- MUST BE SOME
KIND OF TARGET PRACTICE
OR WAR GAMES.

FOR ONCE, I'M
GONNA DO WHAT REED
WOULD WANT, AND BUTT
OUT. I CAME TO FIND
CRYSTAL. THIS HAS
NOTHING TO DO
WITH ME!



TO BE CONCLUDED--NEXT ISSUE!

Tell it to The CAPTAIN!



NO POLITICS

Dear Neil and Co.

Captain Britain! When I first heard the name I thought, "Oh, no! British Superheroes great! But a Captain BRITAIN?" However, I have waited to see the first five issues before writing to tell you how I feel about it. Alas, my initial fears have not been altogether dispelled, but although I'm not really happy with Captain Britain I understand that you could not have begun to introduce All-British heroes to the great British public in any other way.

Marvel started in the States with a story about a college kid who, by some accident, got bitten by the hero bug (sorry?), had secret identity problems, a student was picked on by his fellow students, had a special relationship with his science teacher, etc., etc. That was Spiderman, and now Brian Braddock is getting the same treatment. Right down to the appeal to a lower age-group, which also particularly characterised the early issues of MWOM and SMCW (all have puzzle pages for kids). It's a safe formula, and it works. At least, I hope it does, because if it does then it means we can progress to further British heroes, perhaps written by an all-British Bullpen, and perhaps treat them in a more adventurous, less formula-ridden way.

I may get to like Captain Britain a bit more, perhaps when you feel you can slow the all-action pace down a bit, and have "young Braddock" thinking about what it means to be a "Captain Britain". After all, his American counterpart got to thinking in exactly that way, and it was highly enjoyable reading. No need to make our Cap political (theven forbid!) Steve Rogers was never political - he

always adopted a humane, reasonable and concerned attitude to what his country was at. So, the intriguing questions I keep asking myself are, "where would Captain Britain stand on the Northern Ireland question?" (touchy), or even devolution. Hope we'll find out some day!

Meantime, thank a zillion for the full-colour! For bringing in Captain Britain at all! And for being Marvel anyway! Best of Transatlantic luck for the future!

Dave Thorpe,
19 The Square, Scorton,
Nr. Garstang, Lancs.

We read you, Dave. You want Captain Britain to develop into a thinking man, and you want more like him. Well, here's a coincidence - so do we! So the chances couldn't look brighter!

MEANWHILE... BACK IN THE SWAP SHOP

Dear Bullpen,

I have been reading your comics for eight years and am a devoted follower of Marvel. I defend your comics from the abuse of unbelievers and uphold the traditions of FOGM at all times. In exchange for my years of reading, I am asking you for a big favour.

PLEASE send out this Mayday to fellow Marvelites. I HAVE GOO! TO HAVE HOWARD THE DUCK NUMBER ONE. I have all the other issues of this brilliantly different magazine, but not this one. I am willing to swap these comics for it. British issue of Avengers, number one, OR American Defenders 5.6 and 7, OR any three of these Marvel Team-ups, 4.7 (Spidey and Thor), 17, 19, 20, 21 (Spidey and Doc Strange), 24, 25 (Spidey and Daredevil), 26, 29, 30, 34, 37. My address is 17 Rowley Rd., St. Neots, Cambs.

Glenn Daken.

Howard the First you're after, eh? Hummm. We've seen, we guess it's not an entirely hopeless quest. After all, Man did get to the moon, so anything's possible.

JOIN THE HONOURS LIST

Dear Bullpen,

I have been a Marvelite for nearly eight years, and I think I can claim to have the largest Marvel collection in Whitstable.

I think congratulations are in order for me, as I have introduced my whole class at school to Marvel's mighty ranks.

For any of you Marvelites who are interested, we have plenty of Super-hero kits down here in Whitstable. The range includes Thor, The Hulk, The Silver Surfer and Daredevil. We also have a lot of American Marvels and Howard the Ducks.

Roy Fynn,
31 Saddleton Rd.,
Whitstable,
Kent.

Okay, Roy - you've convinced us. Grab yourself an RFO and a KOI. Oh, we nearly forgot - a QVS as well. It's a day for you to remember!

REMEMBER THE BLACK KNIGHT?

Dear Editor,

At last a super-hero I can associate with! Captain Britain, a student (like me), who is seen in pubs (like me), is courageous and strong (like me) and modest.

But wait. What's an alcoholic Marvelite doing wasting good reading and drinking time on a letter? Simply this. The good Cap seems to be under the misapprehension that he is the U.K.'s only super-hero, but don't I recall a certain Black Knight from the U.K. help out The Avengers many 10p's and last orders ago?

C. Hinchley (Super-Hench)
8 York House, Lord St.,
Morecombe.

Strong liquor hasn't yet softened your grey cells, Super-C., so what you state about the Black Knight did indeed take place. But Cap B is still a first in his own right, because he's the first Marvel Super-hero created solely with British Marvelites in mind.



NO GLOSS?

Dear Editor,

Great to see a British Marvel hero at last! I hope he'll be joined by more in the future. Pity the cover isn't glossy, but wonderful that the story is in colour. I notice that while S.H.I.E.L.D. is also in colour, the F-4 are still in Black and White. Personally I like the combination, as the former is so complicatedly drawn it needs some sort of visual distinction, while colour would only detract from Buscema's fine art on 'F-4'.

I liked Cap Brit's origin and the tie-in with the old Arthurian legend - wagner you're a bit lost, though, without any skyscrapers to swing from!

I don't like the colour-it-yourself page one bit, but, I'm glad you dropped it in issue 4. One thing which it showed was that Herb Trimpe's artwork really NEEDS colouring in order to grasp anything like its worth. But that's no reflection on the man's expertise of course. The

'fun page' isn't really necessary, but it gives an excuse for the odd 'Marvel Masterpiece' why not?

All told, C.B. is quite an achievement for Marvel, considering the problems you have to face. I would just like to state that it's very appreciated.

Simon Freeston,
924 Gladless Rd., Sheffield, S12 2JH

As a regular reader of our letter cols I find somehow we feel certain that you are you'll have already read the whys and the wherefores of the lack of a glossy cover on Cap Brit. Well, who wants absolute perfection? There'd be nothing left to strive for!

CAPTAINS A AND B

Dear Stan, Herb, Larry and Neil, Alan and George,

You gave us Cap. America with Stars and Stripes on his costume, and now the British flag flies with Cap. Britain! <

The two Captains are unmistakably similar. C.A. uses a shield and C.B. uses a quarterstaff. Apart from that they are gladly very different.

I won't check up on it, but I thought the Black Knight was the first British superhero.

Herb's art, however, on C.B. isn't too good, rather, doesn't look good in colour. Marvelites, of course, will buy your latest mag because a) they know it's unique, b) what a write-up you gave about it.

The fun page does a lot for the mag (that crossword was a great idea) and I hope to see more of them. The F-4's art is good but the story lacks quality (vice-versa with C.B.). I remember the good old days when the Thing ran amok, now the idea seems well-worn.

The long poster instead of a double-page is a great improvement. Do many more like it, please!

S.H.I.E.L.D. has the same problem as C.B. the colour makes it babyish. Don't think I'm complaining about the colour, because I hope you do some more mags in this style. The colour will no doubt improve later on.

I know a lot of work has gone into making this special mag, but I'm afraid you've turned it into a six-year-old version, and six-year-olds don't appreciate the mags as we do.

Stewart Hall,
97 Hangleton Valley Drive,
Hove, Sussex.

Well, you sure had us fooled, Stewart. Right up until that final paragraph of yours we felt we were scoring good marks. Then THWAP! Okay, it's a free country, but somehow or other we don't think you're going to have that many Marvelites in agreement with you.

CAPTAIN BRITAIN MAILBAG
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SEVENOAKS, KENT



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PLANET OF THE APES AND DRACULA LIVES

9p

SLAY THE HALF-FACE MEN! LET NONE ESCAPE!



HAVE THE APES FINALLY BECOME THE NEW RULERS OF EARTH? DON'T MISS THE STARTLING ANSWER IN:

THE WAR MACHINES!

OLIT NOW!

SO NOW YOU OWN A COLLECTOR'S ITEM!

One hundred lucky Captain Britain readers found a special message — "EXCELSIOR!" — printed in their copies of issue 7, enabling them to compete for a signed copy of "Bring On the Bad Guys".

Once all the coupons had been received, we picked the following five winning entries out of the postbag.



VINCE WELDON
of Oakdale, Dorset.

DAVID MANIFOLD
of Hepworth, near Huddersfield.

KULDIP BINNING
of Stoke, Coventry.

MALCOLM ROAD
of Retford, Notts.

and

MICHAEL STANWORTH
of Brierfield, Lancs

Each of you lucky lads has won a copy of "Bring On the Bad Guys", personally signed by Smilin' Stan Lee!

And the other Marvelites who sent in a coupon with the special message each win a crazy copy of the GIANT SUPER-HERO HOLIDAY GRAB BAG!

STAN LEE
presents
NICK FURY,
AGENT OF
S.H.I.E.L.D.
SUPREME
HEADQUARTERS
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ESPIONAGE
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INKER
SAM ROSEN,
LETTERER

MERELY ONE OF THE
GREATEST TEAMS MARVEL
HAS EVER ASSEMBLED!

THE YELLOW CLAW'S PLAN
TO SILENCE JIMMY
WOO FOREVER HAS
GONE WILD! INSTEAD,
THE F.B.I. AGENT CLUTCHES
THE LIFELESS FORM OF
THE GIRL HE LOVES, AS
A FLOOD OF BLACK
TORMENT TEARS AT HIS
SOUL! THOUGH BOTH
COULD HAVE PREVENTED
THE DEATH OF SUMAN,
NICK FURY AND THE
INSIDIOUS MASTER OF
EVIL WERE LOCKED IN
MORTAL COMBAT...
EACH UNWILLING TO
SURRENDER HIS
POSITION OF ATTACK!
THE ULTIMATE CLIMAX
OF HATE NOW BEGINS
WITH BUT SECONDS
REMAINING UNTIL THE
FINAL...

I WAS TO BE THE ONE! AND...AND
YET SHE TOOK MY PLACE WITHOUT
EVEN A KISS BEFORE DYING! CAN
THIS BE THE PRICE OF JUSTICE?

NEVER WILL SHE SEE ANOTHER
SUNRISE! RATHER I HAD DIED A
THOUSAND TIMES! WE DARED
NOT SHARE OUR LOVE--AND NOW
MY HEART ONLY CRIES VENGEANCE!

SLEEP
LONG,
MY LOVE!

SHE'S GONE!
IF ONLY YOU'D
HAVE RELEASED
ME IN TIME,
FOOL! NOW,
YOU'LL BOTH
PAY WITH YOUR
LIVES!

FORGET IT,
YA MADMAN!
FURY'S
TAKIN' OVER
...NOW!



ARMAGEDDON!

Stan Lee **NICK FURY, AGENT OF S.H.I.E.L.D.!**
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THE FINAL BATTLE IS AT HAND! IT IS NO LONGER SHIELD AGAINST THE MINIONS OF THE YELLOW CLAW--IT IS NOW JUST A SHOW-DOWN BETWEEN TWO OF THE STRONGEST WILLS ON EARTH! AND, OF COURSE, IT CAN ONLY SPELL THE END OF ONE!

AHHH, MY DEAR FRIEND, FURY, YOU ARE LATE... FAR TOO LATE!

WITNESS THE EFFECT AS MY INFINITY SPHERE ENTERS NUCLEOPHORETIC DRIVE! OBSERVE--

--AS I BEGIN TO SLIP INTO THE SPACE-TIME CONTINUUM WHERE NO HUMAN CAN REACH ME!

FAREWELL, FOOL!

WHAAM!

CHECK MATE!

NOW PREPARE YOURSELF FOR THIS NEVER-TO-BE-FORGOTTEN FINALE PROUDLY PRESENTED BY THESE CONTEMPORARY COMIC BOOK GENIUSES:
**STAN LEE • JIM STERANKO
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AND, AN INSTANT LATER, THE SHIELD RAMROD ACTIVATES THE FANTASTIC DEVICE, RISKING HIS LIFE IN A MILLION-TO-ONE CHANCE HE CAN LOCK IN ON THE YELLOW CLAW'S COSMIC TRAJECTORY! SUDDENLY, THE SPELL-BINDING UNDERCURRENT OF INFINITY PULLS HIM BEYOND THE BLACK TIDE OF SPACE, BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH, BETWEEN TIME AND ETERNITY, BETWEEN HEAVEN AND HELL, IN AN ASTOUNDING MISSION OF GALACTIC REVENGE WHERE ONLY ONE CAN SURVIVE!





PERSONAL NOTE TO ALL FAITHFUL SHIELD FOLLOWERS FROM JIM STERANKO: IT WAS ABSOLUTELY IMPOSSIBLE TO PRESENT THIS MIND-BENDING SUPER-SPECTACLE IN ANYTHING LESS THAN A POWERFUL, PANORAMIC FOUR-PAGE SPREAD. TO GET THE FULL EFFECT, OF COURSE, REQUIRES A SECOND 15th PLACED SIDE-BY-SIDE, BUT WE THINK YOU'LL FIND IT TO BE WELL WORTH THE PRICE TO HAVE THE WILDEST ACTION SCENE EVER IN THE HISTORY OF COMICS!

--- DARN! NOW I HAVE TO SPEND ANOTHER TEN PENCE!

-- STINGY STAN!



AND, IN AN ANCIENT, SPRAWLING CASTLE,
SOMEWHERE IN THE HEART OF THE BAVARIAN
ALPS IN THE KINGDOM OF LATVERIA, A SCENE
OF UNCOMMON SINGULARITY OCCURS...

MY SENSORS DETECT A DECISIVE
MOVE... THE WHITE-KING-PIECE
CALLED FURY HAS ELIMINATED THE
OPPONENT-KING

DESPITE BLACK'S BRILLIANT-
MIDDLE-GAME-MOVES THE
SHIELD-ROOKS HAVE EXECUTED
SUB-ENTROPIC-MANEUVER-
LL-11538-BARCZA-SYSTEM-
VARIATION AGAINST BLACK-
KINGS PAWNS

THUS MY COMPUTERS SHOW
THE GAME HAS ENDED...
YOUR HUMANOID CHESS-
PIECES ARE FINALLY
DEFEATED BY THE PROTAGO-
NISTS... YOU ARE THEREBY
CHECKMATED... MY PROG-
NOSTICATING CALCULATORS
HAVE CORRECTLY PREDICT-
ED THE FINAL POSITIONS...

THE PRIME-MOVER HAS
THUS SPOKEN!



HAH! THEN, IT SHALL BE SO! I ALREADY GROW WEARY WITH THIS TRIVIAL DIVERSION! MY INGENUOUS MIND HAS SPAWNED! ALREADY, THE PLAY HAS GONE ON PERIODICALLY FOR MANY MONTHS!

STILL, THE ANIMATED FARCE 'TWTX THE MEN OF SHIELD AND MY AUTOMATED PLAYERS DID FREQUENTLY PIQUE MY FANCY! CERTAINLY, I HAVE BEEN AMPLY REWARDED FOR CONSTRUCTING SUCH AN ELABORATE COMPUTER COMPLEX!

EVEN A MONARCH SUCH AS MYSELF IS DESERVING OF OCCASIONAL DROLL SPORT!

SO THEN, NEVER LET IT BE SAID DR. DOOM WAS A POOR LOSER!

BLAST THOSE SWINE! I LOATHE FAILURE! EVEN WITH MY ADVANCED WEAPONS AND MATTER TRANSMITTERS, MY FORMATIONS WERE LOST!

PITY I MUST ATTEND TO THE MORE PRESSING MATTERS OF STATE!

YET, PERHAPS SOMEDAY I PERSONALLY MAY... HMMM... YES... SOMEDAY!

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